

# **ABSTRACT**

A method for issuing an electronic identity based on previously certified electronic identity. This is accomplished by providing a method to use a previously certified identity to create another representational form for the same identity. This way the holder of a certificate can extend his or her already verified identity for other uses. The previously certified identity can be for instance so called mobile identity which is associated to a person's mobile terminal such as mobile phone. The person can show to certificate be his/her own by using the digital signature feature of the mobile terminal.